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### FOUR THOUSAND LIVES WERE LOST

A-palling Details of the Earthquake in Turkistan.

### HUNTING FOR LOST COIN

The Work Has to Be Carried on Under the Supervision of the Russian Police—The Destination.

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**ASHABAD, RUSSIAN TURKISTAN.**—December 22.—Even the worst of the earlier reports of the recent earthquake disaster at Ashabad quite underestimate the appalling loss of life. A telegram to-day from the scene of the catastrophe puts the number of victims in the earthquake at 4,000. Already 100 corpses have been disinterred from the ruins. The work of excavation progresses slowly.

The State treasury containing five million rubles, is in the ruins, and excavations to get the money are carried on under the supervision of a strong cord of police. The water in the wells has disappeared, and a general subsidence of the site of the town is feared. Large numbers of laborers have arrived and are expected to make more rapid progress. The shocks continue with increasing violence. The area of seismic disturbances comprises two hundred square miles. The Russian population in the earthquake zone is about 500,000. The local government officials are quartered in cars. Sheds for the destitute are being built as rapidly as possible. Free soup kitchens have been established, and the Russian government is sending the inhabitants by distributing food, money and free railroad tickets.

At St. Petersburg it is estimated that nearly five thousand have been killed by the earthquake at Ashabad.

### REDISTRICT A. C. L.

Plan Will Bring Promotion to Several Officials of the Road.

The Atlantic Coast Line Railroad will be redistricted on the first of the year, according to a plan recently decided upon by the directors. The system will be subdivided into six districts, where formerly there have been only three. As a result of these changes several promotions will be made.

The new plan will be run under the following named districts: Richmond, Fayetteville, Wilmington, Charleston and Columbia. Among those promoted from subordinate positions are Mr. J. C. Fountaine, of Richmond, who is well known in this city. He is placed in charge of the Wilmington district as acting superintendent. Mr. W. H. Newell is promoted from assistant superintendent of transportation and made superintendent of Norfolk. Mr. C. M. McNeill is promoted from assistant superintendent at Rocky Mount, having been promoted from trainmaster.

### NURSE'S PURSE SNATCHED

Negro Snatch- Thief Seizes Money on Broad Street.

A negro snatch thief made his appearance on Broad Street last night and succeeded in getting away with a purse belonging to one of the nurses of the hospital. The purse, which was carrying the nurse in her hand, when the negro darted from an alley, snatched it from her grasp and made his escape.

It contained about \$1 in money, besides several valuable things. The young lady was so frightened that she gave no alarm at the time, but later reported the theft to the First Police Station.

The affair occurred at a very dark point on the street, and all happened so suddenly that the thief could hardly be identified.

### SMUGGLED TOBACCO

Sixteen Hundred Pounds of Sumatra Wrappers Seized.

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**NEW YORK, Dec. 24.**—On board the steamer St. George, which arrived from Antwerp on December 19th, and is lying at Hoboken, customs officers seized to-night 1,600 pounds of Sumatra wrapper tobacco, valued at \$2 per pound, which firemen attached to the steamer were about to smuggle in a small boat.

Some of the tobacco was discovered concealed in the coal bunkers. From information received by the customs authorities it is believed that plans were laid to smuggle \$10,000 worth of tobacco on the steamer.

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O'Neill's Store Building and Good Will Bought by Manager.

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Interesting Trial of Libel Suit in California.

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A Feature of the Ceremony Was the Part Taken by a Woman. Ate Fruit as a Symbol.

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**SAN DIEGO, CAL., December 23.**—In the Tingley-Times libel suit to-day, the deposition of Dr. J. A. Anderson, of San Francisco, once a member of the Tingley Cabinet, was finished. Anderson described his initiation into the Society of Lost Mysteries of Antiquity. He said all who were present sat on canvas and were supposed to be taking part in a very ancient ceremony. All were dressed in light muslin costumes and the rite was solemnized in the open air.

Describing the initiation, Anderson said it constituted chiefly of Mrs. Tingley's telling of her dog "Spot" and what the dog had done. Then Mrs. Tingley ate some fruit, which was supposed to be a mysterious symbol, and a part of the high initiation which was taking place.

Anderson then told of how he was made a member of the Order of the Rising Sun. A son of the Rising Sun. The chief feature of the initiation was, he said, that a candidate held a sunflower. There was another order known as the Ancient Order of Scribes, which was very high. Anderson related in some detail what Mrs. Tingley had said about the dog "Spot." Mrs. Tingley, he said, had related how she was very blue and cast down, and that "Spot" had gone to a heap of letters on the floor and picked one out from Dr. Allen Griffin, which greatly comforted her. Anderson said when Mrs. Tingley went to welcome her visitors she wore a large purple robe that gave her a queenly appearance. Describing the sacred costume, such as a candidate wore a bride couple married at the home of Dr. Anderson said it was something like a skirt, but rather longer.

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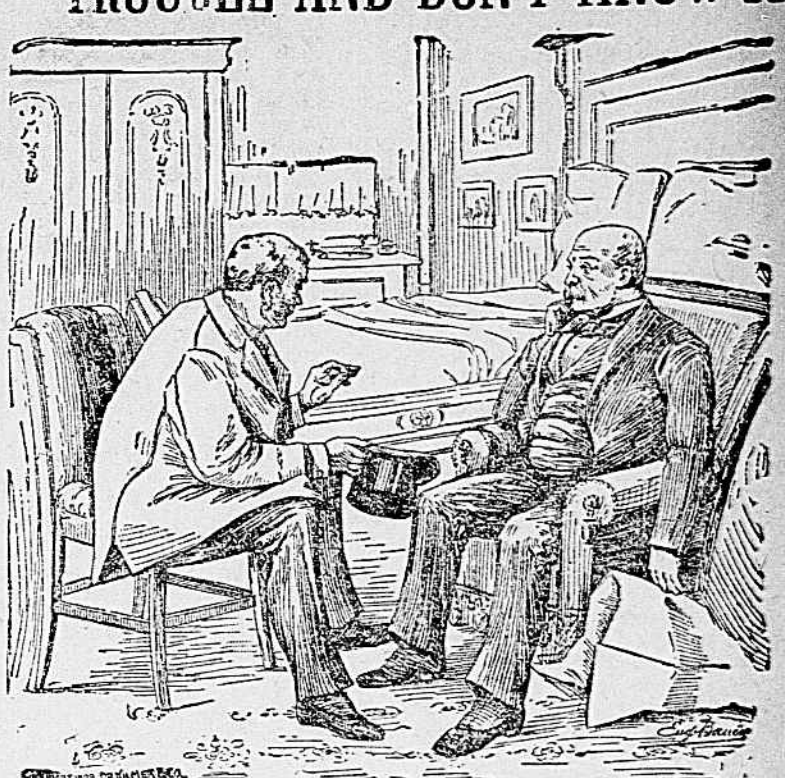
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